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Dear Sir:

The following additional prior art references are believed to be generally relevant to the subject matter of the pending application. Copies of the cited references are enclosed.

1. U.S. Patent No. 6,137,074 issued October 24, 2000, to Doak.
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,076,684 issued June 20, 2000, to Bollegraaf.
3. U.S. Patent No. 6,064,056 issued May 16, 2000, to Doak.
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,960,964 issued October 5, 1999, to Austin et al.
5. U.S. Patent No. 5,917,585 issued June 29, 1999, to Roe et al.
6. U.S. Patent No. 5,901,856 issued April 27, 1999, to Brantley, Jr. et al.
7. U.S. Patent No. 5,799,801 issued September 1, 1998, to Clark et al.

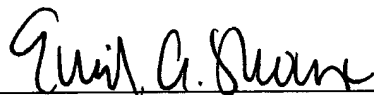
8. U.S. Patent No. 5,497,871 issued March 12, 1996, to Ciolkevich.
9. U.S. Patent No. 5,297,667 issued March 29, 1994, to Hoffman et al.
10. U.S. Patent No. 5,197,678 issued March 30, 1993, to Trezek et al.
11. U.S. Patent No. 5,165,676 issued November 24, 1992, to Blessing et al.
12. U.S. Patent No. 3,908,814 issued September 30, 1975, to Hieronymus.

Also enclosed is a Form PTO-1449 listing these references.

Each document listed in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from the USPTO in a counterpart PCT application, and this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the mailing date of that communication.

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